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Lon Thomas  
Star Stone Quarries, Inc.  
4040 South 300 West  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

Re: Denial of File Closure, Stone Star Quarries, Inc., Santa Barbara Mine, S/013/006, Duchesne County, Utah

Dear Mr. Thomas:

On September 25, 2000, we received your request to close the file for your Santa Barbara small mine project located in Section 36, T3S, R6W, UBM, Duchesne County, Utah. A site inspection was performed on May 16, 2001 (inspection memo attached). The regrading and cleanup of the site has been completed; however, the site has not yet been successfully revegetated. The Minerals Rule R647-3-109-13.11 requires that revegetation has achieved 70 percent of the premining vegetative ground cover and the vegetation has survived three growing seasons following the last seeding.

Because the site has not yet achieved successful revegetation, we are unable to close this file at this time. Therefore, the \$100.00 annual permit fee for fiscal year 2000-2001 remains due within 30 days. A billing statement is included for your use. Please note that the permit fee for the next fiscal year 2001-2002 will come due in July. You will receive another billing statement toward the end of June for the next fiscal year. Annual fees are required until the site is fully released.

When you feel this project has been sufficiently revegetated and is eligible for final release, please contact the Division to arrange another site visit. If the site is satisfactorily revegetated, we can then release you from any further reclamation obligations.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5267. Please reference our file number S/013/006 regarding this project.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Gallegos  
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Attachments - 5/16/2001 inspection memo, billing statement  
S13-06-deny-rel.doc

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